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Sir:

Enclosed and attached hereto are the following documents for filing in the above-identified patent application:

1. Replacement Specification with certification;
2. Copy of Preliminary Amendment filed January 27, 2000;
3. Letter to Assistant Commissioner for Patents;
4. Express Mail cover letter;
5. Postcard to be date-stamped & returned to Paul & Paul.

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY ADDITIONAL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS COMMUNICATION, OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT, TO PAUL & PAUL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 16-0750, ORDER NO. 3787

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a replacement specification, together with the certification from the translator as to its accuracy.

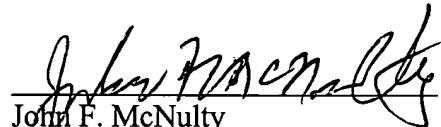
Please replace the text of the text of the English translation that was filed on January 27, 2000, with the enclosed text.

**NOTE PLEASE EXAMINE THE APPLICATION ON THE BASIS OF THE
ENCLOSED TEXT AND AS TO CLAIM 1, PLEASE EXAMINE ON THE BASIS OF THE
ENCLOSED AMENDED PRIMARY CLAIMS.**

Also enclosed for the convenience of the Office is another copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed at the time that the application was filed on January 27, 2000.

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certify that I am well acquainted with the German language and to the best of my knowledge and
belief, the following is a true English language translation of the above-identified U.S. application.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 2000.

Dr. Roland Weber

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